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GEORGE F. HENSHALL.....MANAGER

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## AN ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Star has joined the United Press telegraphic service,  
and now enjoys the distinction of having the cable service of  
both the great American newsgathering associations. The Unit-  
ed Press is the one great American rival of the Associated Press.  
The Star remains a member of the latter and will continue to  
receive its splendid service just as before, and as other local  
papers do. In addition, we now have the service of the United  
Press daily. This gives us a DOUBLE CABLE service, and  
is bound to add to the interest of each evening's report of the  
news of the world.

## GAMBLING, GRAFT AND POLICE "RECORDS."

The incessant round of petty gambling raids and graft talk emanat-  
ing from the local police station is becoming a tiresome farce. And  
the efforts of some of the police to make a "record" by gathering in  
as big crowds as they can of insignificant and often innocent gamblers  
no longer works the community. Regardless of law and decency, it  
seems to be the established custom to rush in and arrest every gathering  
of Chinese or Japanese who sit down at a game of dominoes, if a  
police officer thinks there may be anything wagered on the result,  
while from one end of the city to the other white games of bridge,  
poker and other delectable contests variously described as games of  
chance or skill run on unmolested. Let a crowd of little wharf rats  
start to roll dice, probably having about two bits in the whole crowd  
to roll for, and they achieve, if an officer can catch them, the dignity  
of police court cases, an experience which probably does them more  
harm than the game would do. But it all makes a showing, and  
every now and then somebody points with pride to an enormous total  
of arrests for a given period as showing wondrous police efficiency.  
In the meanwhile burglars might also roll up some figures and last  
Sunday ought to be dubbed Blind Pig day.

There is one kind of gambling that ought to be pursued relentlessly  
in season and out, at any cost, and ought to be punished with all the  
severity the statutes allow. It happens to be the kind most easily de-  
tected. It is the gambling that is conducted as a business, for profit.  
These are the games which bleed the laboring man, victimize the clerk  
and lead to poverty and embezzlement. Every such game is a base  
swindle. No such games can run without considerable patronage and  
the quest for patrons inevitably must furnish clues for the police. A  
che fa game, for example, needs so many patrons that to run it at a  
profit in the face of hostile and energetic police would be impossible.

## OUR "MAYOR'S MESSAGES."

We shall have to disclaim any such view as that incompetence is  
worse than graft, despite the Advertiser's attributing such an expres-  
sion to this paper. What was referred to yesterday as worse than graft  
was the mayor submitting to the Board of Supervisors a message veto-  
ing a pure milk ordinance, when the message was written by counsel  
for milk dealers whom the ordinance was designed to reach. It is  
worse than graft because it is graft with incompetence added. For-  
merly the mayor's messages were written by a political trouble-maker  
in the pay of a partisan Democratic committee, an outrage to which  
The Star referred at the time in no uncertain terms. But it was not as  
bad as to have veto messages written by financially interested parties.  
Our mayor is certainly making a record. We have not observed those re-  
sponsible for his leadership in Honolulu's first start as a municipality  
to be bursting with pride over their achievement. Probably as the  
next campaign approaches they will be running for cover, and "Thou  
canst not say I did it!" will be the prevailing cry of Democratic lead-  
ers. However, this Banquo will be found as untractable as the original,  
and probably quite as effective.

Of course the police graft charges should be investigated. But  
equally of course the investigators will have to know what they are.

Judge Dole's endorsement for another term as federal judge came  
as a matter of course. Not only the bar, but the community, is unani-  
mous in appreciation of his services, and in pleasure that his fears of  
some months ago, of enforced resignation for his health's sake, no  
longer exist.

## EDITOR SMITH PROBABLY HEARD FROM.

It was remarked in these columns when Editor Walter G. Smith  
left Hawaii that he would probably be often heard from on Hawaiian  
affairs. We don't know whether the following is from his pen or  
not, but it is an editorial in the San Francisco Chronicle, on which he  
has become editorial writer, and is a comment upon the call of an  
extra session of the Hawaiian legislature:

"The most important American step taken by the local gov-  
ernment of Hawaii since annexation is that attributed to Gov-  
ernor Frear in the announcement that the public lands of the  
Territory will be opened to settlers as fast as they can be sur-  
veyed.

"There is a total area of about 1,000,000 susceptible acres  
of land in Hawaii, exclusive of that which the conservation  
officials may rescue from the desert and including the 200,000  
acres from which upward of \$35,000,000 worth of sugar are  
annually extracted. On land not needed for further sugar de-  
velopment pineapples, tobacco, cotton, small fruits and a  
variety of tropical and even temperate zone farm produce may  
be grown. But for the opposition of a class of planters, in-  
cluding foreigners and absentee American landlords, all this  
surplus land would have been long ago occupied by thrifty  
producers; but the planters feared that small farmers would  
get their labor from plantations, thus reducing the cane field  
supply, and that their demand for land would raise its price

and that of leases. Hence the obstructive policy which Presi-  
dent Roosevelt denounced in at least two of his messages, and  
which Governor Frear will, unless thwarted by powerful influ-  
ences, succeed in overcoming.

"But this land policy is not merely one of farm development  
—it has its political and sociological side. The white popula-  
tion of the Territory, exclusive of Portuguese, is now reck-  
oned at about 10,000 and the total population, according to  
the Governor's recent estimate, about 175,000. Japanese born  
on the soil will become voters in the next few years. There  
are over 7000 in sight. The only way to meet the peril is to  
man the land with American citizens, white ones preferred;  
and fortunately there is land enough for the purpose and a  
rich market awaiting its peculiar crops."

This paper did not go the length of saying that incompetency of the  
Mayor was worse than graft. What it said was that the conduct of  
the Mayor, in allowing himself to be made the tool of selfish interests,  
as against the public good, was worse than graft. This is a perfectly  
obvious proposition, for such conduct not only opens the door to graft  
but inflicts immediate injury upon the people. Vetoes written by paid  
attorneys and policies dictated by irresponsible partisans without the  
backing of intelligent or intelligible reasons for the positions assumed,  
if not overcome are destructive of honest and sane popular government.

The bland nerve of Mori's defense defies comparison. He coolly  
tells the jury he did stab Sheba. But he was so aggravated that he  
had an uncontrollable impulse to punish Sheba by using a knife which  
he held open in his hand, concealed in his coat-tails. This is as if a  
thief should confess taking money on the ground that he wanted it.

## Commercial News

BY L. D. TIMM NS

Pioneer has led in activity both on  
and the stock boards since yesterday  
morning. This was however to be  
expected. There were those who pre-  
dicted boom figures for this stock dur-  
ing today, but such have not appeared,  
although the stock is strong and in-  
clined upward. Between boards, 5  
shares sold at \$184.75, followed by 10  
at \$185. The latter figure seemed to  
form the basis of transactions on the  
board, 6, 7, 15 and 20 shares bringing  
it. At the close of the morning ses-  
sion \$184.75 was offered for the stock,  
but holders demanded \$185.50.

Between boards 15 and 55 shares of  
Olaa sold at \$5.75 and the stock ap-  
peared strong. On 'Change this morn-  
ing \$5.625 was offered for the stock,  
but none was to be had for less than  
\$6.

A large block of Honokaa, 100 shares,  
sold on the streets at \$19.25. The  
same was offered for more but holders  
demanded \$19.50.

Two side sales were \$3,000 Waialua  
fives, on the street, at \$100.75, on a  
basis of the last previous sale; and 5  
shares O. R. & L. Co. at \$135.

Between boards some brewery stock  
found buyers, 25 and 50 shares selling  
at \$24, an advance from \$23, caused,  
doubtless by the settlement of the dif-  
ferences between the Brewery and the  
police department.

## MILITARY MAGAZINE.

Tenders for building the fine maga-  
zine at Port Shafter for the war de-  
partment resulted as follows: Lucas  
Bros., \$3,260; E. P. Chapin, \$3,324; W.  
G. Chalmers \$3,988. In the regular or-  
der of things, Lucas Bros. will get the  
contract. The building will be of  
corrugated iron, with concrete piers.

## WILL TAKE VACATION.

Frank C. Atherton, Secretary and  
Manager of the Sugar Factors Company  
Ltd., has been granted a year's leave  
of absence commencing December 1  
by the directors of his company. His  
position will be filled during the year  
by A. M. Nowell of Wailuku, Maui.  
Mr. Atherton has not been well for  
the past few months and his physician  
has advised a rest and change from  
office work and responsibility. He has  
not as yet made any definite plans for  
the future, but expects to rest for two  
or three months, after being relieved  
of his office work, and will probably  
leave for an extended trip in the states  
in the early spring of 1910.

## NEW UNION GRILL.

George Lycurgus is to make an up-  
to-date Delmonico of the Union  
Grill. The old place was good enough  
for the old Honolulu; but with new  
and larger buildings springing up  
around, the Grill building has been  
left "in the shade." The dining hall

is to be extended makai until cooks  
will be able to hang their pans on  
"Pop" Cunha's rear wall. The second  
floor will be equally commodious.  
Mr. Lycurgus stated this morning  
that the building would be of brick,  
with handsome, tile ornamentation,  
and fitted up in New York style.  
When completed the cost will have  
been something like \$50,000.

## WIRELESS PARALYZED.

The wireless telegraph system of  
the islands has been practically par-  
alyzed since yesterday morning on ac-  
count of surplus electricity in the air.  
Last night it was found impossible  
to reach any vessel at sea except  
the Korea, which was close in; and  
she was only picked up after many  
unsuccessful efforts to reach her.  
This morning messages for the other  
islands were received, but no prom-  
ises were given as to when they  
would be gotten through.

"The electrical trouble started  
about a week ago," stated Manager  
Balch this morning, "and was at its  
worst yesterday afternoon and last  
night, when our entire system was  
practically out of commission. Our  
operators stood by at the various  
stations (or I presume they did); but  
it was only occasionally that we  
could get a word through. Steamers  
in talking distance of the islands  
cannot be reached. We only picked  
up the Korea last night when she  
was close to Oahu.

Manager Balch could not, of course,  
forecast when the trouble would be  
over. Were it a case of wires or  
pieces, he could figure; but when it  
comes to God's business the wireless  
wizard politely but urgently insists  
upon side-stepping. In the mean-  
while, a large number of messages  
for the other islands and for ships  
at sea have piled up in the local of-  
fice of the wireless company.

## SOAP MAN HERE.

John Chestre, of the Levers Pac-  
ific Plantations, Limited, Chevre,  
England, is a through passenger in  
the Korea, here today. Mr. Chestre's  
concern buys most of the copra of  
the Solomon group and other Pacific  
islands, and manufactures the Sun  
rise soap, which is well known in  
Honolulu. Walter Dillingham is a  
friend of J. T. Thilotsen, managing  
director of the concern, and Chestre  
brought letters from that official to  
the local man. Mr. Chestre is spend-  
ing the day sight-seeing, and will  
continue in the Korea to Japan, and  
thence to Australia.

## COTTON MACHINERY.

A. W. Van Valkenberg and his fel-  
low cotton magnates of Kunia, expect  
a cotton gin and press to arrive here  
in about ten days. An engine has al-  
ready been installed. The machinery  
will be put in at Kunia, in close  
proximity to the fields of snowy

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